# REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

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| Date of entry in Register: | 12 March 1997 |
| Name of applicant/court: | Secretary for Internal Affairs |
| Applicant to the Labelling Body: | Not Applicable |
| Title of Publication: | "Yes My Lady" |
| Other Known Titles: | Not Stated |
| Director: | F J Lincoln |
| Producer: | F J Lincoln |
| Publisher: | Not Applicable |
| Author: | Not Applicable |
| Format: | Video Recording VHS/PAL |
| Country of Origin: | USA |
| Language: | English |

**Components of film originally examined:**

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| Feature: | "Yes My Lady" | Running time: | 53.18 |
| Trailers: | Nil | Running time: | |
| | | Total Running time: | 53.18 |

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Nil.

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Direction to issue a label has not been given.

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**SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:**

The video recording *"Yes My Lady"* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The video recording *"Yes My Lady"* focuses upon explicit scenes of sexual activity and bondage and discipline practices which comprise the vast majority of the feature. One bondage and discipline scene contains a depiction of a female urinating into the mouth of a male in a manner which degrades him. The video recording therefore tends to promote and support the use of urine in association with degrading conduct and sexual conduct.

The removal of this scene would be sufficient to prevent likely harm to the public good as long as the remainder of the publication were restricted in availability to an adult audience. However, the owner of the publication has failed to respond within the specified period, or within the extended period, to the Classification Office's excision notice and the excisions have not been made. Section 3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 overrides s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 as it is a deeming provision, that cannot be given a meaning consistent with the rights and freedoms contained in s14.

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